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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
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Serial No.:)
Filed:)
Herewith)
For:)
FLOW CONTROL VALVE)
Attorney Docket No.:)
UDL 2 0018)

Examiner:

Art Unit:

Cleveland, OH 44114
December 17, 2001

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, and prior to examination, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claim 11 without prejudice.

Kindly amend claims 4, 6 and 8-10 as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as EXPRESS MAIL in an envelope numbered EL 852686802 US addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on December 17, 2001.

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